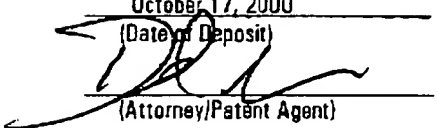


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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

The following proposed claim amendments to the above-identified application are presented for the examiner's consideration pursuant to a telephone interview with the examiner, scheduled for October 17, 2000:

1. (Amended Twice) A barrier assembly for protecting a loading platform, the loading platform having a loading edge and a personnel entrance distal from and substantially parallel to the loading edge, the barrier assembly comprising:

a pair of parallel guide rails, each shaped generally as an inverted-U, each having
5 a first substantially vertical portion, a second substantially vertical portion opposite the first